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twelve or fourteen hours after coming to the wharf. From now on I will not allow even masters of vessels ashore. I have detailed (at the fruit companies' expense), in conjunction with Dr. Wood, the Louisiana State board representative, a special policeman to watch every ship while at the wharf and to see that no one goes aboard and that no one from the ship goes ashore. The house with its furnishings in which Mr. Cheveria died has been properly disinfected. The nonimmunes are leaving for high altitudes.

I will allow no passengers or baggage to go to southern ports of the United States until the situation here is determined.

Respectfully,

J. GREY THOMAS,

Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

CUBA.

Reports from Cienfuegos, Casilda, and Santa Cruz del Sur.

CIENFUEGOS, CUBA, *April 23, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to report that during the week ended April 21, 1900, 18 deaths have occurred in this city, 3 from malaria, 2 from intestinal diseases, and 5 from tuberculosis. No contagious diseases have been reported in this vicinity. Death rate for the week is 23.50. Three alien steerage passengers, Turks, arrived from Cartagena, South America, on the steamship *Yucatan*. Ten foreign vessels have entered this port and 10 have cleared for other ports during the week.

Casilda.—Dr. Alejandro Cantero reports 6 deaths in the city of Trinidad during the week, no contagious diseases reported, health of port is good. Inspected 2 foreign vessels during the week.

Santa Cruz del Sur.—Dr. Juan R. Xiques reports no deaths during the week at that port, no contagious diseases reported, health of port good. Inspected 1 foreign vessel during the week.

Respectfully,

J. M. LINDSLEY,

Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

Report from Havana.

HAVANA, CUBA, *April 23, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to report on the sanitary condition of this place for the week ended April 21, 1900, with the mortuary statistics for the five days ended April 18, 1900. The change in interval from seven to five days of the mortuary statistics is made for this time, so as to get our reports in conformity with those of the sanitary department of the city of Havana. Hitherto these reports were issued every seven days beginning from the first of each month for 3 reports, and the fourth would include the remainder of the month, that is from nine to ten days. It was obviously impossible then to have our seven-day interval system in conformity with their system. Now, however, they have changed to a seven-day interval and will continue so doing, and our change as aforesaid is for the purpose of giving our reports and theirs the same initial point.

No deaths from yellow fever are reported this week; 3 new cases diagnosed and under treatment. The general health of the city is extremely good. The death rate is low for Havana—21½ per thousand.